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Combined Declaration

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## COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

## DECLARATION:

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:  
My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.  
I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original,  
first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which  
a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**ELECTRODE ELEMENT FOR PLASMA TORCHES  
AND A METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SAME**

the specification of which (check only one item below):

☐ is attached hereto.☐ was filed as United States application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, and was  
amended on or through \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).☒ was filed as PCT international application Number PCT/DE03/00763 on March 5, 2003, and  
was amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified  
specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title  
37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of  
any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or §365(a) of any PCT international application(s)  
which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also  
identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT  
international application(s) having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign/PCT Application(s) and any Priority Claims Under 35 U.S.C. §119:

Priority Claimed

<u>102 10 421.2</u>	<u>Germany</u>	<u>6 March 2002</u>
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Yes	No
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Yes	No

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s)  
listed below.

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(Application Number)	(Filing Date)

Priority Claimed	
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Yes	No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States  
application(s) or §365(c) of any PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America,  
listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the  
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35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to  
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filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

Prior U. S. Application(s) or PCT International Application(s) Designating the U.S. for Benefit Under 35 U.S.C.  
§120:

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